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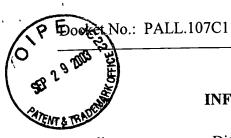
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## Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing references that were previously disclosed to or cited by the Patent and Trademark Office in the prosecution of U.S. patent No. 6,596,112, issued July 22, 2003, which is the parent of this application, and is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Copies of the references are not submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). If a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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